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Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicants hereby disclose the references cited in the attached PTO-1449 form. The attached German patents identified in the PTO-1449 form are all discussed in the specification. The attached French and EPO patents were cited in a foreign language search report dated November 25, 2003. A copy of the search report is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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